





AN  
ASTRONOMICAL DIARY:  
OR  
ALMANACK,  
For the Year of CHRISTIAN ÆRA,  
1781.

Being the first Year after BISSEXTILE or LEAP-YEAR,  
AND THE  
Fifth Year of the INDEPENDENT STATES of AMERICA.

CONTAINING, the Lunations; Eclipses; Courts, Aspects; Feasts and Fasts of the Church; Spring Tides; Judgment of the Weather; Sun's rising and setting; Time of High-Water at BOSTON; Moon's place; Moon's rising and setting; Vulgar Notes;—Also,—A Poem to the UNMARRIED LADIES; An instance of true Magnanimity; A surprizing discovery of an inhumane murder; a safe and easy cure for the Plea; Maxims on Prudence; Select Aphorisms; Rules for preserving Health in eating and drinking; The Girdle, a Poem; Verses written under the Picture of Cupid aiming an Arrow; a new method of sowing Wheat; The Portion of a jilt Lawyer; An Anecdote against mispending time; a Paradox; Sentiments of the celebrated Mr. PARR, with regard to Marriage; Friends Yearly Meetings in New-England; An excellent proof of Wisdom; On Fertility, a Poem; Fighting at Sea, a Poem; Courage, a Poem;—together with many other things both Useful and Entertaining.

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OF THE ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1781.

**O**NLY two Eclipses this Year; and they are both of the Sun.

The first will be on the 23<sup>d</sup> day of *May*, about noon; and tho' it will be scarcely visible to us, yet in some parts of the West Indies it will be central; and as the Semi-diameter of the Moon (being near her Apogee) will be something less than that of the Sun, it will be Annular; that is, the whole body of the Moon will be comprehended within the compass of the Sun, and a bright shining circle will appear about the Moon, in the appearance of a gold ring. This Eclipse will happen in the fourth degree of *Taurus*.

The second will be on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of *October*, about half past four in the morning, a very great Eclipse, total in some parts of the world, tho' invisible to us. It will happen in the 25<sup>th</sup> Degree of the *Celestial Balance*.

VULGAR NOTES this Year are,

Golden Number	— 15	} {	Cycle of the Sun	— 26
Epact	— 4		Dionysian Period	— 110
Dominical Letter	— G.		Julian Period	— 6494

TO THE UNMARRIED LADIES,

**C**HOOSE him who bears an honest Mind,  
If he has common Sense,

And is to moral good inclin'd,  
With common Faults dispense.

By Friends are often wrong conjectures made,  
But your own reason best your cause will plead.  
Forbear t'insist upon you must,

A jointer very great,  
For whom you with your Person trust,

Trust him with your Estate.

If Fortune frowns—thence comes the bone of Strife,  
Betrays distrust—and parts the Man and Wife.

*A method to mark LINNEN, so as not to wash out again.*

**T**AKE Vermillion as much as will lay on a Half-Crown Piece; of the salt of Steel, a piece about the size of a small Nutmeg; grind or levigate them well together with Linseed Oil:—You may make it thick or thin, at discretion.

AN INSTANCE OF TRUE MAGNANIMITY.

**W**HEN *Vespasian* commanded a Senator to give his voice against the interest of his country, and threatened him with immediate death if he spoke on the other side, the Roman, conscious that the attempt to serve a people was in his power, tho' the event was ever uncertain, answer'd with a smile,—“*did I ever tell you that I was immortal ?—My virtue is in my own disposal. My life in yours ; do what you will, I shall do what I ought ; and if I fall in the service of my country, I shall have more triumph in my death, than you in all your laurels.*”

A surprising discovery of a Murder, by the deceased's Hand bleeding fresh some years after the Murder had been committed

**M**R. BEARD gives an account in his Theatre, of a man who bore his neighbour a bitter inveteracy ; and having met him in a wood, at a place convenient for revenge, murder'd him, and escaped without being suspected.—The body was found soon after, and brought before the Senate ; and the murderer not being heard of, they ordered one of the dead man's hands to be cut off, and hung up over a table in the common goal of the town.

Some years after, the villain who perpetrated this bloody deed, was arrested and committed to the said prison, and brought into the very room where the hand hung ; and by accident, as he sat at his dinner, was just under it, and notwithstanding it was quite withered, yet it did now bleed afresh, and the blood dropped into the criminal's trencher ; at which all present being greatly amazed, the goaler went and informed the Senate of it, who sent for the prisoner, and examined him ; he was greatly startled by that divine prodigy ; acknowledged himself to be guilty of the said murder, for which he was afterwards broke on the wheel.

A CURE FOR THE ITCH.

**P**UT a small teaspoonful of spirits of turpentine into the hollow palm of your hand, and rub it between your hands till it is quite dry, three days successively. This is said to cure the slightest, as well as the most inveterate itch, without the least uneasiness or inconvenience to the patient.

## ON PRUDENCE.

**H**EAR the words of Prudence, give heed unto her counsels, and store them in thine heart : Her maxims are universal, and all the virtues lean upon her ; she is the guide and the mistress of human life.

Put a bridle on thy tongue, set a guard before thy lips, lest the words of thine own mouth destroy thy peace. Let him that scoffeth at the same, take care that he hurt not himself : Whosoever speaketh of anothers failings with pleasure, shall hear his own with bitterness of heart.

Of much speaking cometh repentance, but in silence there is safety.

A talkative man is a nuisance to society, the ear is sick of his babbling, the torrent of his words overwhelmeth conversation.—Boast not of thyself, for it shall bring contempt upon thee : Neither deride another, for it is dangerous.

## SELECT APHORISMS.

**D**OCTOR DONNE, a person of great parts and learning, being upon his death bed, and taking his solemn farewell of his friends, left this with them ; “ I repent of all my life, but that part of it I spent in communion with God, and doing good.”

Sir PHILIP SIDNEY left this his last farewell among his acquaintance ; “ love my memory, cherish my friends ; but above all, govern your will and affections by the will and word of your Creator ; in me behold the end of this world and all its vanities.”

Sir THOMAS SMITH, Secretary of State to Queen ELIZABETH, a quarter of a year before he died, sent to his friends the Bishops of Winchester and Worcester, intreating them to draw him out of the word of God, the plainest and exactest way of making his peace with him ; adding, that it was a great pity men knew not to what end they were born into this world, ’till they were ready to go out of it.

### *The Names and Characters of the Seven Planets.*

☉ Sol,	♂ Mars,	☾ Luna,
♄ Saturn,	♀ Venus,	♁ Dagon's Head
♃ Jupiter,	☿ Mercury,	and ☿ Tail.

### *The Five Aspects.*

♂ Conjunction,	☿ Opposition,	* Sextile.
Δ Trine,	☐ Quartile,	



I. JANUARY hath 31 Days. 1781.

FIGHTING AT SEA.

THE ships wide caves collected vengeance bear,  
 Turgid with death and prominent with war.  
 At the first shock with blood and powder stain'd,  
 Nor Heaven, nor sea their former face retain'd.  
 Fury and art produce effects so strange,  
 They trouble nature, and her visage change. Night

Full Quart. 2 Day 4 Afternoon. | Last Quart. 16 Day 11 Afternoon  
 Full Moon 10 Day 5 Morn. | New Moon 24 Day 8 Morn

M W Courts Aspects, Weather &c. r Gr. 1 F Sea | Dsp | r Ds

12	Circumstances.	cold	7	32	5	4	23	29	11	17
23	Inf. C. Bost. Amb. York		7	32	5	5	8	head	Ma	c
34		expect	7	31	5	5	5	23	0	22
45		snow or fl. ☉ h	7	31	5	6	44	back	1	28
56		rain.	7	30	5	7	32	18	2	34
67	Epiphany	cold.	7	30	5	8	19	arms	3	41
76		blustering	7	29	5	9	6	14	4	49
82	fl. h ♂	weather.	7	28	5	9	54	27	5	53
93	Inf. C. Charlestown.		7	27	5	10	42	breast	6	54
104	♂ h ♀	snow	7	26	5	11	30	25	D	55
115		or rain, or both. * ☉ 4	7	25	5	12	23	heart	6	5
126	Syrus rises 6h.	fl ♂ ♀	7	25	5	1	17	24	7	27
137	High tides.	☉ Perig.	7	24	5	2	11	belly	8	48
146		cold.	7	23	5	3	5	23	10	9
152	Inf. E. E. Greenw. fl. 4 ♀		7	22	5	3	59	tears	11	24
163		some	7	21	5	4	53	22	Adm.	
174		pleasant	7	20	5	5	42	secret	6	45
185		but	7	19	5	6	31	20	1	58
196		cold P.N. 2 48.	7	18	5	7	20	high	3	11
207		weather	7	17	5	8	9	17	4	17
216		in	7	16	5	8	58	keen	7	20
222		these	7	15	5	9	47	13	6	13
233	Yard L. Sou 9h.	days	7	14	5	10	36	25	6	59
244	Conv. St. Paul.		7	13	5	11	24	legs	D	55
255		perhaps,	7	12	5	12	8	19	5	53
266		but	7	11	5	12	52	rest	6	51
277	☉ Apoge.	as the	7	10	5	1	35	13	7	52
286		planets	7	9	5	2	19	25	3	57
292		are silent	7	8	5	3	3	head	10	0
303		I do	7	7	5	3	47	19	11	4
314		but guess.	7	6	5	4	31	back	Morn.	

# II. FEBRUARY hath 29 Days. 1781.

Night, horror, slaughter, with confusion meets,  
And in their sable arms embrace the fleets.  
Thro' yielding planks the angry bullets fly,  
And of one wound hundreds together die :  
Born under different stars, one fate they have,  
The ship their coffin, and the sea their grave.

First Quarter 1 Day at Noon. | Last Quart. 15 Day 7 Morn.  
Full Moon 8 Day 4 Aftern. | New Moon 22 Day 12 Afr.

1. 12	1. 12	1. 12	1. 12	1. 12	1. 12	1. 12	1. 12	1. 12	1. 12
15	7*	5	5	5	15	13	0	13	
26	andlemas	cool	7	4	5	6	5	26	1
37	weather.		7	3	5	6	55	arms	2
4	pleasant.		7	2	5	7	45	22	3
52	F. h ♀	expect	7	1	5	8	35	ocean	4
63	I. C. Portfm.	snow * O h	6	59	6	9	26	19	5
74	or		6	58	6	10	17	he an	6
85	rain,		6	56	6	11	8	18	Drift
96	High tides.	then	6	55	6	12	1	belly	6
107	Perige.	pleasant	6	54	6	12	55	18	7
11	7*'s let. 1 h.	* 4 ♀	6	52	6	1	49	reins	9
122	weather.		6	50	6	2	43	17	10
133	I. C. Northam.	□ O 24	6	49	6	3	37	ectets	11
144	warm and wet.		6	48	6	4	31	16	morn.
155	changeable		6	47	6	5	24	thighs	0
166	weather		6	46	6	6	11	13½	2
177	at this time.		6	44	6	6	58	27	3
18	southerly P.N. 12 38		6	42	6	7	45	knees	4
192	6 O ♀	winds and rain	6	40	6	8	32	22	4
203	sup. C. Boll. Fairf.		6	39	6	9	18	legs	5
214	Yd. L. sets 1 h	followed	6	38	6	10	4	17	6
225	by cold		6	37	6	10	50	29	Drifts
236	clear		6	36	6	11	32	feet	5
247	Apoge.	weather.	6	35	6	12	12	22	6
25	throve Sunday.		6	34	6	12	54	head	7
262	variable		6	32	6	1	26	15	3
27	I. C. Pietst. &	weather.	6	30	6	2	18	27	9
284	B. Kingst. S.C. N. Haven		6	29	6	3	0	neck	11

**T**HE Planet Venus will be Oriental, or Morning Star, to the second day of June ; thence Occidental or Evening Star to the end of the Year.



ON COURAGE.

THE greatest proof of courage we can give,  
 Is then to die when we have power to live.  
 But when true courage is of force bereft,  
 Patience, the only fortitude, is left.  
 On valour's side the odds of combat lye ;  
 The brave live glorious, or lamented die.

How

First Quart. 30 Day 5 Aftern	Last Quart. 16 Day 8 Aftern.
Full Moon 10 Day 2 Morn.	New Moon 24 Day 6 Aftern.

M W Courts Alpetis Weath &c.				r	o	F	Sea	D	sol	D	s.
1	5	* ♂ ♀	cold.	6	28	6	3	42	21	0	17
2	6		snow or	6	27	6	4	24	rms		Morn
3	7		rain * ♀	6	26	6	5	6	17	1	18
4	G		cold.	6	25	6	6	1	break	2	24
5	2		Bost. Massacre. S.C. Newp.	6	24	6	6	56	14	3	26
6	3		S. C. Hart. Portl. Ecgart	6	22	6	7	52	27	4	15
7	4	♂ ♀	snow or	6	21	6	8	48	heart	5	1
8	5		rain and windy.	6	20	6	9	44	27	5	41
9	6	☉ ☌	☐ ♀	6	19	6	10	40	belly	6	12
10	7	☉	Perige. very high tides.	6	18	6	11	36	26		D rise
11	G		snow	6	17	6	12	30	reins	7	37
12	2		or rain.	6	16	6	1	24	26	9	17
13	3		Inf. C. Concord. ☐ ☉	6	13	6	2	18	secrets	10	38
14	4		expect warm	6	11	6	3	12	25	11	45
15	5		7*'s set. 11h. moist	6	10	6	4	6	thighs		Morn
16	6		weather. Δ ☉	6	9	6	5	0	23	1	1
17	7		Bost. evac. by B. troops. 1776	6	7	6	5	46	keers	2	7
18	G		windy	6	5	6	6	32	19	2	59
19	2		S. C. Prov. ☐ ♀	6	4	6	7	18	legs	3	44
20	3		windy.	6	2	6	8	4	14	4	22
21	4		Yard L. setts 11. 10.	6	0	6	8	49	26	4	54
22	5		good	6	58	6	9	34	feet	5	18
23	6		weather	5	57	7	10	19	20	5	34
24	7		for ☉ Apoge	5	56	7	11	4	hand		D se.
25	G		this season	5	55	7	11	49	13	6	59
26	2		perhaps.	5	54	7	12	33	24	8	1
27	3		Inf. C. Worc. Ip. Nant. Fal.	5	53	7	1	17	cock	9	7
28	4		snow or rain (☐ ♀	5	51	7	2	2	18	10	11
29	5		and	5	50	7	2	4	arms	11	15
30	6		cold	5	48	7	3	32	13		Morn
31	7		weather.	5	47	7	4	17	26	0	18

# IV. APRIL hath 30 Days. 1781.

How are we bandy'd up and down by fate,  
 By so much more unhappy as we're great!  
 Greatness, thou gaudy torment of our souls,  
 The wise man's fetter, and the rage of fools.

Greatness, most envy'd when least understood,  
 Thou art no real, but a seeming good. Gold

First Quart. 1 Day 7 Aftern. Last Quart. 15 Day 2 Morn  
 Full Moon 8 Day 11 Morn. | New Moon 23 Day at Noon

W. W. Courts, Aspects Weath. &c	r	☉	E. Sea.	D. pl	r. D.
1 G Δ 2 ♀ pleasant.	5	45 7	5 2	breath	1 17
2 2 Towns vote for Gov. &c.	5	43 7	5 55	22	2 12
3 3 I.C. N. Hav. Amb. ☉ ☉ ♀	5	41 7	6 48	heart	3 2
4 4 fine April ☉ Perigee	5	40 7	7 42	21	3 35
5 5 showers	5	39 7	8 36	willy	4 19
6 6 seasonab'e	5	38 7	9 30	20	4 44
7 7 weather.	5	37 7	10 24	reins	5 9
8 G Palm Sunday,	5	35 7	11 18	20	Drises
9 2 Δ ☉ ♀ snow or rain.	5	33 7	12 11	secret	8 18
10 3 S.C. Concord. I.C. Haris.	5	32 7	1 4	19	9 36
11 4 (Ply. Y. Ch. N.H. ☐ ☉ ♀	5	30 7	1 56	high	10 50
12 5 I.C. Durham. snow or	5	28 7	2 48	18	11 59
13 6 Good Friday. rain.	5	26 7	3 40	knees	Morn
14 7 moderate. Vc. ☉ 24	5	25 7	4 32	15	0 56
15 G Easter Sunday.	5	24 7	5 24	28	1 46
16 2 S.C. E Greenw.	5	23 7	6 8	legs	2 29
17 3 S.C. Worc. I.C. BoR.	5	22 7	6 52	3	3 5
18 4 good weather.	5	21 7	7 38	ect	3 34
19 5 Battle of Conc. ☉ Apoge	5	19 7	8 22	57	3 52
20 6 cold N.E. winds, Δ ♀	5	18 7	9 6	29	4 12
21 7 if not	5	17 7	9 50	head	4 30
22 G rain.	5	16 7	10 35	22	4 41
23 2 pleasant.	5	15 7	11 15	neck	Drises
24 3 S.C. Northam. I.C. Litchf	5	14 7	12 2	16	8 14
25 4 pleasant Vc. 24 ♀	5	13 7	12 49	28	9 18
26 5 poor men labour	5	12 7	1 36	arms	10 17
27 6 and rich men	5	10 7	2 22	22	11 18
28 7 gripe; knives invent	5	9 7	3 10	breast	Morn.
29 G and fols	5	7 7	3 57	18	0 16
30 2 believe.	5	6 7	4 44	heart	1 5

Gold alone does Passion move ;  
 Gold monopolizes Love ;  
 Gold begets, in Brothers, hate ;  
 Gold, in Families, Debate ;  
 Gold does Friendship separate ;  
 Gold does civil Wars create.

These

First Quart. 1 Day, 4 Morn.  
 Full Moon, 7 Day, 7 Aftern.  
 Last Quart, 14 Day, 10 Aftern.

New Moon, 23 Day, 3 Morn.  
 First Quart, 30 Day, 11 Morn.

M	W	Courts, Aspects, Weath. &c	r. O s	F. Sea	D's pl r O s.
1	3	Int. C. Possum.	5 5 7	5 32	16 1 49
2	4	Gen. Elect. Newp.	5 3 7	6 27	belly 2 22
3	5	Gen. El & Harif.	5 2 7	7 22	14 2 51
4	6	perhaps rain	5 1 7	8 17	29 3 15
5	7	and ☉ Perigée	5 0 7	9 12	coins 3 38
6	1	high tides.	4 59 8	10 7	29 4 6
7	2	ff h δ	4 58 8	11 2	secret Drives
8	3	Vc ☉ h N. E. winds.	4 56 8	11 53	28 8 28
9	4	S. C. Barnstable.	4 55 8	12 54	chighs 9 40
10	5	Δ ☉ δ windy warm,	4 54 8	1 35	26 10 54
11	6	and thunder	4 53 8	2 26	knees 11 41
12	7	showers. 8 O 4	4 51 8	3 16	23 Morn
13	G	foggy.	4 50 8	4 6	legs 0 25
14	2	Vc h ♀ cool and moist.	4 49 8	4 56	19 1 6
15	3	S. C. Plym. I. C. Groton,	4 48 8	5 41	feet 1 35
16	4	(G. Barring. Spring. Δ δ ♀	4 47 8	6 26	14 1 57
17	5	some (8 4 ♀	4 46 8	7 10	25 2 17
18	6	showers (* 4 δ	4 45 8	7 54	head 2 36
19	7	expect ☉ Apogée	4 44 8	8 38	19 2 51
20	G	a spell, about this	4 43 8	9 22	neck 3 10
21	2	time of very	4 42 8	10 6	13 3 32
22	3	seasonable	4 41 8	10 50	25 3 54
23	4	weather	4 40 8	11 34	arms D'sett
24	5	Ascension. for	4 39 8	12 23	19 9 10
25	6	planting,	4 38 8	1 12	breast 10 14
26	7	but what a crop	4 38 8	2 1	15 10 53
27	G	you will reap, will	4 37 8	2 50	28 11 46
28	2	be known	4 36 8	3 39	hear: Morn
29	3	S. C. Dover. best	4 35 8	4 28	26 0 21
30	4	Gen. Court Bottom.	4 35 8	5 18	belly 0 50
31	5	hereafter.	4 34 8	6 11	24 1 15







Events are doubtful which on Battles wait ;  
 But where's the Doubt to Souls secure of Fate ?  
 How hard 'tis for the prosperous to see  
 That Fate, which waits on Pow'r and Victory !  
 Fates dark recesses we can never find,  
 But Fortune at some Hours, to all is kind.

Get

Full Moon, 4 Day, 2 Morn. | New Moon, 19 Day, 11 Morn.  
 Last Quart. 12 Day, 3 Morn. | First Quart. 26 Day, 3 Morn.

M. W. Courts, Aspects, Weather, &c. r. ☉ s. F. Sea. D's pl. r. ☉ s.

1	4	Begin	4	52	8	9	5	knees	1	38
2	5	now to	4	53	8	9	54	22	2	34
3	6	lock out	4	54	8	10	43	legs	3	38
4	7	for	4	55	8	11	32	18	Drise	
5	G	rain: Δ ☉ h	4	56	8	12	18	feet	8	16
6	2	Yard L rises 2. 17.	4	57	8	1	4	12	8	37
7	3	Good weather.	4	58	8	1	49	24	8	54
8	4	● Apogée Vc ☉ ♂	4	59	8	2	34	head	9	13
9	5	Very	5	0	7	3	19	18	9	33
10	6	warm and ☐ ☉ 2	5	1	7	4	4	neck	9	55
11	7	thunder ☉ ☉ ♂	5	2	7	4	49	12	10	17
12	G	showers.	5	3	7	5	34	24	10	47
13	2	Foggy	5	4	7	6	23	arads	11	19
14	3	mornings.	5	5	7	7	12	19	Morn	
15	4	More ☐ h ♀	5	6	7	8	1	oreall	0	7
16	5	Battle of Benningten, 1777.	5	8	7	8	50	16	1	6
17	6	rain, and Δ ♂ ♀	5	9	7	9	39	29	2	10
18	7	thunder;	5	10	7	10	28	heart	3	22
19	G	then	5	11	7	11	18	27	Dsett	
20	2	S. C. S. Kingston. * 2 ♀	5	12	7	12	11	belly	7	46
21	3	S. C. Lithf. I. C. Great Barri.	5	13	7	1	4	26	8	9
22	4	● Perigée. High tides.	5	14	7	1	58	reins	8	32
23	5	Pleasant	5	16	7	2	52	26	8	57
24	6	weather. P. N. 21. 28.	5	17	7	3	46	secrets	9	28
25	7	*'s rise 9. 58.	5	19	7	4	40	25	10	4
26	G	Good	5	20	7	5	34	highs	10	47
27	2	salt bay	5	22	7	6	23	22½	11	40
28	3	S. C. Fair. Bott. I. C. N. Hav.	5	24	7	7	12	knees	Morn	
29	4	(t. C. Springf.	5	25	7	8	0	19	0	36
30	5	weather.	5	27	7	8	48	legs	1	36
31	6	Warm.	5	28	7	9	36	15	2	44



# IX. SEPTEMBER hath 30 Days. 1781.

Get that great Gift and Talent Impudence,  
 Accomplish'd mankind's highest Excellence ;  
 'Tis that alone prefers, alone makes great,  
 Confers alone Wealth, Titles, and Estate ;  
 'Tis Learning, Parts, and Skill, and Wit, and Sense,  
 Worth, Merit, Honour, Virtue, Innocence,      How

Full Moon, 2 Day, 2 Aftern. | New Moon, 17 Day, 8 Aftern.  
 Last Quart. 10 Day, 7½ Aftern. | First Quart. 24 Day, 11 Morn.

MW	Courts.	Aspects.	Weath.	Ec.	r.	☉	F. Sea	D's pl.	r.	☉	s.
1	7		Good		5	30	7	10	24	legs	3 48
2	G		weather		5	31	7	11	12	feet	Drise
3	2	D. g days end.	O. Prot. di-d		5	33	7	11	56	21	7 10
4	3	(S. C. Prov. I. C. Wor. (1658.			5	34	7	12	40	head	7 26
5	4	● Apo. Com. Prov. S. C. Har			5	35	7	1	24	14	7 46
6	5	☐ ☉ ♀	cold rain. (Exeter		5	37	7	2	8	26	8 0
7	6		cool		5	39	7	2	51	neck	8 22
8	7		weather		5	40	7	3	34	20	8 51
9	G	perhaps	* ♀ ♀		5	41	7	4	17	arms	9 24
10	2		rain.		5	42	7	5	0	14	10 4
11	3	I. C. Taunt. Conc. S. C. Amh.			5	43	7	5	51	27	10 58
12	4		warm		5	44	7	6	42	breast	Morn.
13	5	Yard L. rises Midn. Δ ☉ ♂			5	45	7	7	33	24	0 0
14	6	* ☉ ♀	and wet.		5	47	7	8	24	heart	1 7
15	7		warm P. N. 11. 20		5	49	7	9	16	21	2 24
16	G	* ♀ ♂	and windy.		5	51	7	10	8	belly	3 45
17	2	S. C. Newl. wet (☐ ♂ ♀			5	53	7	11	0	20	D'setts
18	3	S. C. Wor. Windh. Keene.			5	54	7	11	54	reins	6 40
19	4	● Perigé Com. Dartm. high			5	55	7	12	48	20	7 6
20	5	Com. N. Haven. tides.			5	56	7	1	42	secrets	7 34
21	6		southerly		5	58	7	2	36	20	8 8
22	7		winds	♂ ☉ ♀	5	59	7	3	30	thighs	8 50
23	G		and rain		6	0	6	4	24	18	9 40
24	2	7's rise 8 8			6	2	6	5	18	knees	10 36
25	3	S. C. Spr. I. C. Newb. P. Barn.			6	4	6	6	4	16	11 40
26	4	Com. N. Jersey. (Pown. Litch.			6	5	6	6	50	29	M. rn.
27	5		good		6	6	6	7	36	legs	0 44
28	6		weather		6	8	6	8	22	24	1 53
29	7		for some		6	10	6	9	8	feet	2 56
30	G		days		6	12	6	9	54	18	4 3

# X. OCTOBER hath 31 Days. 1781.

11, happy is the harmless country Maid  
 Who rich by Nature, scorns superfluous aid!  
 Whole modest Cloaths no wanton Eyes invite,  
 But, like her Soul, preserve the native white;  
 Whose little Store her well taught Mind does please;  
 Not pinch'd with Want, nor cloy'd with wanton Ease.

Who

Full Moon, 2 Day, 8 Morn. | New Moon, 17 Day, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  Morn.  
 Last Quart, 10 Day, 10 Morn. | First Quart, 23 Day, 11 After-n.

M	W	Courts, Aspects, Weath. &c.	r. ☉	F. Sea.	D. spi	r. ☉
1	2	S. C. S. Kingston.	5 13 6	10 39	ne. d	5 10
2	3	I. C. B. R. Plym. Nant. Amh	6 15 6	11 24	12	Drise
3	4	☉ Apogē good	6 16 6	12 8	23	6 15
4	5	Battle of Germant. 1777	6 17 6	12 53	neck	6 33
5	6	weather, P. N. 10. 2	6 19 6	1 37	17	6 59
6	7	after	6 21 6	2 22	29	7 31
7		which expect	6 23 6	3 6	arms	8 11
8	2	rain. * ☉ ♀	6 24 3	5 1	23	8 56
9	3	S. C. Taunt. I. C. Bidd. Keen.	6 25 6	4 35	break	9 55
10	4	pleasant	6 26 6	5 20	19	10 58
11	5	Gen. Elect. N. Hav. I. C	6 27 6	6 13	heart	Morn.
12	6	for (Dover.	6 28 6	7 6	16	☉ 7
13	7	7*'s rise 6. 52. the	6 29 6	7 59	belly	1 26
14	G	season.	6 30 6	8 52	14	2 45
15	2	good weather.	6 31 6	9 45	29	4 9
16	3	very high ☉ 24 ♀	6 32 6	10 38	reins	5 27
17	4	☉ Perigē. Sur. of Burgoyne.	6 33 6	11 32	29	Dissets
18	5	tides. (Hardw. Fair.	6 35 6	12 26	secrets	6 14
19	6	cool	6 37 6	1 20	29	6 54
20	7	mornings	6 38 6	2 14	thighs	7 39
21	G	and	6 39 6	3 8	23	8 33
22	2	evenings ♄ ☉ 24	6 41 6	4 1	knees	9 32
23	3	all	6 43 6	4 54	25	10 38
24	4	Gen. Elect. Prov. Derry Fair.	6 44 6	5 39	leg	11 44
25	5	this	6 45 6	6 24	21	22. m.
26	6	month	6 46 6	7 9	feet	0 53
27	7	pleasant.	6 47 6	7 54	16	2 1
28	G	within four days there	6 48 6	8 39	28	3 9
29	2	may be rain * ☉ ♀	6 50 6	9 24	head	4 13
30	3	S. C. Camb. I. C. Falm. Tish.	6 51 6	10 8	21	5 16
31	4	☉ Apogē perhaps.	6 52 6	10 52	neck	6 20

Who, free from Storms which on the great ones fall,  
 Makes but few Wishes, and enjoys them all.  
 No Care, but Love, can discompose her Breast,  
 Love, of all Cares, the sweetest and the best;  
 While on sweet Gales her bleating Charge does lie,  
 One happy Lover seals upon her Eye:  
 Not one whom on her God or Men impose,  
 But one whom Love has for this Lover chose. Under

Full Moon, 1 Day, 2 Morn. First Quart. 22 Day, 2 After.  
 Last Quart. 8 Day, 1 Morn. Full Moon 30 Day, 8 After.  
 N-w Moon, 15 Day, 2 Aftern.

M <sup>o</sup> W Courts, Aspects, Weatb. &c.		r.	☉	s.	F.	Sea	D's pl.	☉	s.
1	5	Weather	6	54	6	11	36	14	☉ if s
2	6	somewhat	6	55	6	12	27	26	5 33
3	7	cool and	6	56	6	1	18	arms	6 14
4	8	blustering. * ♀ ♂	6	58	6	2	10	20	6 56
5	2	Syrius rises 10. 50.	6	59	6	3	2	breast	7 48
6	3	S.C.Salem, I.C.Hartf.Portf.	7	0	5	3	54	15	8 50
7	4	As good	7	1	5	4	46	28	9 56
8	5	weather now,	7	2	5	5	38	hearts	11 8
9	6	perhaps, as	7	4	5	6	26	25	vi ro.
10	7	can ☉ ♀	7	5	5	7	14	belly	0 26
11	G	reasonably	7	6	5	8	2	23	1 45
12	2	be expected	7	7	5	8	50	reins	3 5
13	3	I. C. Northamp. N. Haven.	7	9	5	9	38	23	4 25
14	4	☉ Perigée (S. C. Portfm.	7	10	5	10	26	scars	5 47
15	5	High) at this ☉ ♀	7	11	5	11	14	22	D's
16	6	tides.) season	7	12	5	12	5	th g s	5 26
17	7	of the	7	13	5	12	57	22	6 17
18	G	year.	7	14	5	1	48	knave	7 12
19	2	☉ ☉ Warm, but	7	15	5	2	39	20	8 18
20	3	I. C. Norwich. windy.	7	16	5	3	30	legs	9 25
21	4	As the planets are	7	17	5	4	21	17	10 35
22	5	silent, we may	7	18	5	5	12	29½	11 47
23	6	look for a	7	19	5	5	56	ice.	M n.
24	7	continuance of comfortable	7	20	5	6	40	24	0 56
25	G	weather to the latter end	7	20	5	7	24	head	1 59
26	2	of this month, when a	7	21	5	8	8	18	3 4
27	3	☉ Camb. Pittsfield. warm	7	22	5	8	51	neck	4 9
28	4	☉ Apogée wind ☉ ☉	7	23	5	9	34	12	5 13
29	5	☉ ☉ and rain P.N. 6. 20	7	24	5	10	17	23	6 17
30	6	may be expected.	7	25	5	11	0	s	D-riffs

Under some fav'rite Myrtle's shady Boughs,  
They speak their passions with repeated Vows :  
And whilst a Blush confesses how she burns,  
His faithful Heart makes as sincere Returns.  
Thus in the Arms of Love and Peace they lie ;  
And, whilst they live, their Flames can never die.

Last Quart. 8 Day, 9 Morn. | First Quart. 22 Day, 10 Morn.  
New Moon, 15 Day, 1 Morn. | Full Moon, 30 Day, 1 Aftern.

M	W	Courts, Aspects, Weath. &c.	r.	☉	s.	F	Sea.	D's	pl.	r.	☉	s.
1	7	7 <sup>th</sup> set 11. O. As it		7	25	5	11 47	17		4	49	
2	3	advent. is December,		7	26	5	12 34	29		5	41	
3	2	we may venture		7	27	5	1 22	breast		6	37	
4	3	☉ C. Barnk. Wore. to		7	28	5	2 10	25		7	39	
5	4	predict cold weather ;		7	28	5	2 58	heart		3	52	
6	5	but it may now prove		7	29	5	3 46	21		10	6	
7	6	warm and ☐ 24 ♂		7	29	5	4 34	belly		11	21	
8	7	Concept. Virgin Mary.		7	30	5	5 22	19		Morn.		
9	G	windy.		7	30	5	6 15	reins		0	39	
10	2	This week you may		7	31	5	7 8	17		1	58	
11	3	I. C. Plym. Windh.		7	31	5	8 2	secrets		3	16	
12	4	expect a cold N. E.		7	32	5	8 56	17		4	34	
13	5	☉ Perigē storm ☉ ☉ h		7	32	5	9 50	highs		5	50	
14	6	High tides. of snow or rain		7	33	5	10 44	16		7	3	
15	7	7 <sup>th</sup> set 10 O. followed		7	33	5	11 38	knees		D	sets	
16	G	by a spell		7	33	5	12 26	14		5	47	
17	2	of pleasure * 24 ♀		7	34	5	1 15	28		6	54	
18	3	I. C. Taunt. weather		7	34	5	2 4	legs		8	2	
19	4	for		7	34	5	2 53	24		9	16	
20	5	this		7	34	5	3 42	feet		10	24	
21	6	season,		7	34	5	4 31	20		11	34	
22	7	Syrius rises 7. 34.		7	34	5	5 20	head		Morn.		
23	G	but		7	34	5	6 8	14		0	37	
24	2	I. C. Prov. cold.		7	34	5	6 50	26		1	44	
25	3	I. C. Sol. Christmas. ☉ Apogē		7	34	5	7 34	neck		2	47	
26	4	Battle of Trenton, 1776.		7	34	5	8 18	20		3	51	
27	5	A pleasant day		7	34	5	9 2	arms		4	56	
28	6	presages a ☐ h ♂		7	34	5	9 46	14		5	54	
29	7	cold storm. * h ♀		7	33	5	10 30	26		6	49	
30	G	Lo ! the year is ended,		7	33	5	11 14	breast		D	sets	
31	2	How have we amended ?		7	33	5	12 4	22		5	11	

## Health in Eating and Drinking.

1. Secrepid Persons ought to eat often, and a little at a time ; because weak and wasted bodies are to be restored by little and little ; and by moist and liquid food rather than by solid ; because moist and liquid diet nourishes the soonest, and is more easy of digestion.—

Keep constantly to a plain diet : Those enjoy most Health, and live longest, who avoid curiosity and variety of Meats and Drinks, which only serve to intice to gluttony.

The less food a sick Person eats, the sooner he will recover ; for it is a true saying ; *The more you fill your bodies, the more you hurt them.*

Coffee and Tea, as they are prejudicial to weak Lungs, and to those who are subject to weak Nerves, ought always to be used sparingly.

All men in health find by experience, that in the morning, before they have eaten, they are light and pleasantly easy in their bodies ; but after they have indulged their appetites with plenty of food, they find themselves heavy and dull, and often sleepy : which sufficiently shews, that those full meals are prejudicial to the welfare of the Body.

The unhealthy are found among those who feed high upon the most delicious dainties, and drink nothing but the strongest and most spirituous Liquors ; whereas others, who want this delicate fare, are seldom sick, unless they have such unsatiable appetites as to eat too much.

To sup sparingly is most healthful, because of the experience of an infinite number of persons, who have received the greatest benefit from light suppers. The Stomach being not over burdened, the sleep is more pleasant. From sparing suppers, the breeding of those humours is prevented, which causes de-fluxions, rheumatism, gouts, dropsies, giddiness, and corruption of the mouth from the scurvy. Many indispositions are cured by fasting and a spare diet.

Two meals a day is said to be sufficient for all weak people ; and the omitting of supper, unless taken some hours before bed-time, conduces much to the health of the weak and aged. *Misers, who eat and drink but little, always live long*

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**T**HIS is a good World which we live in,  
To work, and to spend, and to give in ;  
But to beg, and to borrow, and get a man's own,  
This is the worst World that ever was known.

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*The Portion of a just Lawyer.*

**W**HILST he lives he is the delight of the Court—  
Ornament of the Bar—A Pattern of Innocency—  
The glory of his profession—A terror to deceit—The  
oracle of his country; and when Death calls him to the Bar  
of Heaven, by the *De habenda corpus cum causa*, he finds the  
Judge his advocate, non-suits the Devil, and continues one of  
the long Robe in glory.

*An Anecdote against mispending Time.*

**S**HOULD the greatest part of people sit down and draw up  
a particular account of their time, what a shameful bill  
it would be! So much spent for extraordinary eating, drinking  
and sleeping, beyond what nature requires; so much spent in  
reveling and wantonness; so much for the recovery of last  
night's intemperance; so much in gaming and plays; so much  
in paying and receiving formal and impertinent visits in idle  
and foolish prating, in censuring and reviling our neighbours;  
so much in dressing our bodies, and talking of fashions; and  
so much wasted and lost in doing nothing. *Take away all  
these items, and how little a portion will be left for the discharge  
of our duty towards God, and the necessary businesses of life!*

*An infallible Method to preserve our Health, to secure  
and improve our Estates, to quiet our Minds, and to advance  
our Esteem and Reputation.*

**A**S the practice of all piety and virtue is agreeable to our  
reason, so it is likewise for the interest of mankind, both  
of private persons and public societies. Some virtues plainly  
tend to the preservation of our Health, others to the security  
and improvement of our Estates, all to the peace and quiet of  
our Minds, and which is somewhat more strange, to the ad-  
vancement of our Esteem and Reputation. For tho' the World  
be generally bad, and men are apt to approve nothing so much  
as what they do themselves, yet I know not how it comes to  
pass, men are commonly so just to virtue and goodness, as to  
praise it in others, even when they do not practise it themselves.

*On Futurity.*

**D**ISTRUST and darkness of a future state,  
Make poor mankind so fearful of their fate.  
Death in itself is nothing, but we fear  
To be we know not what—we know not where.



Sta, to Virginia, No.	brookfield (VII)	Waite	62	Ditto,	Mitchell	6	
and South-Carolina.	Ware,	Downing	6	Ditto,	Coffin	2	
To Darby,	7	Ditto,	Rogers	2	Brunswick,	Stone	10
Chester,	9	Belchertown,	Dwight	8	Brunswick, Thompson		4
Brandewine,	14	Ditto,	Graves	4	Hearndell's Ferry,		9
New-Castle,	6	Amherst,	Smith	4	Wiscasset Pt. Wickers		12
Elk River,	17	Hadley,	Kellog	4	Newcastle Ferry,		5
North-East,	7	Northampton,	Lyman	2	—, Barker,		5
Susquebanna,	9	Chesterfield,	Tupper	14	Waldoborough, Vinal		12
Gunpowder Ferry,	25	Worthington,	Miller	7	—, Lamson or		
Patapsco Ferry,	20	Sandisfield,	Marks	7	Thomaston,	Peckard	9
Annapolit,	30	Pittsfield,	Cutledge	9	Camden,	Gregory	6
Mount Pleasant,	13	Ditto	Hubbard,	4	—, Minot		7
Upper Marlboro'	9	Albany-Ferry.		25	Duck Trap, McClanlea		6
Piscataway,	15	XVII ) Road to New-			Belfast,	Muchel	12
Port Tobacco,	15	bury Port, Portsmouth			Penobscott,	H. bart	11
Hose's Ferry,	10	Casco-Bay, & Muckias.			Blue-Hill,	Parker	13
Port Royal,	15	Medford,	Billings	5	—, Patten		7
Snead's Tavern,	12	Malden,	Kettle	2	Union River, Millikin		7
Todd's Bridge,	20	Lynn,	Newell	4	Killkenny,	Goodkins	6
Clayburn's Bridge,	24	Danvers,	Piermont	6	New Bristol, Simpson		8
Frenau't,	12	Salem, Goddard & Webb		2	Coudesborough, Jones		8
Williamsburgb,	16	Beverly,	Waters	1	Ditto,	Shaw	6
Hogg Island,	7	Benham,	Porter	8	No. Foxr, Campbell		8
Ile of Wight Ct. House,	18	Ipswich, Smith, Tiedwel		6	Pleasant Riv. Buckman		12
Nansemond.	20	Rowley,	Hunt	3	Chandler River, Whitney		9
Bennet's Creek,	30	Newbury,	Pierce	7	Machiat, Longtellow		8
Edenston,	30	Newbury-Port, Choate,			Upper Road to Falmouth.		
Bell's Ferry,	8	and Davenport,		1	Medford,	Porter	5
Barb Town,	45	Salisbury, Knowlton		4	Woburn,	Fowle	5
Newse River,	32	Seabrook, Griffith		2	Wilmington,	Tay	3
Whitecock River,	20	Hampton Falls Sanborn,			Ditto,	Thompson	1
New River Ferry,	30	and Wells,		2	Andover,	Ballard	6
Cape-Fear River,	45	Hampton,	Leavitt	2	Ditto,	Abbot	3
Lockwood's,	18	North-Hampton, Leavitt		3	Ditto,	Brog	3
Sballot River,	8	Greenland, Wiggins		4	Haverhill,	Greenleaf	6
E. End Long Bay,	22	Portsmo. Tilton & Fish,		5	Plaflow,	Bradley	4
W. End of ditto,	25	Old York, Woodbridge			Plaflow,	Little	2
George-Town,	30	and Row,		9	Kingston,	Stevens	4
Santee Ferry,	12	Wellt,	Littlefield	13	Ditto,	Abbot	2
Santee Ferry,	20	Ditto,	Cole	3	Exeter, Gilman, Thursten		6
Charlestown,	36	Kennebunk, Kimball		6	Stratham,	Clare	3
(XVI.) Road to Dart-		Arundell,	Patten	2	Newmarket, Fufem		5
mou-th-College in New		Saco,	Allen	6	Durham,	Gage	4
Hampshire.		Scarborough,	Bradbury	3	Dover,	Gage	6
No. Four, (XI) Hastings	119	Ditto,	Milliken	7	Berwick,	Lord	6
Clairmount, Wait	8	Ditto,	March	4	Ditto,	Chadburn	2
Ditto, Summer	4	Falmouth,	Skillen	3	Wells,	Littlefield	9
Cornish, Chase	4	Falmouth-	Waite,		Kennebunk, Kimball		9
Ditto, Ditto	3	Town	Shattuck,	5	Ditto,	Patten	2
Plainfield, Smith	7		Greele,		Saco,	Allen	7
Lebanon, Hills	6	New Casco, Bucknam		7	Pepperellboro', Bradbury		3
Dartmouth-Col. Stores	4	North Yarmouth, Loring		6	Scarborough, Millikin		2
					Falmouth,		12

*A Moral Reflection at the close of last year.*

SEVENTEEN hundred and eighty,  
Is now forever past;  
Seventeen hundred eighty one  
Will fly away as fast.  
But whether life's uncertain scene  
Shall hold an equal pace;  
Or whether Death shall come between,  
And end our mortal race;  
Or whether sickness, pain, or health,  
Our future lot shall be;  
Or whether poverty, or wealth,  
Is all unknown to me.  
One thing is known, that needful 'tis  
To watch with careful eye;  
Since every season spent amiss,  
Is register'd on high.  
Too well we know what precious hours  
Our wayward passions waste;  
And thus we feel our mortal Pow'rs  
To dust and darkness haste.  
Earth rolls her rapid seasons round,  
To meet her final fire;  
But virtue is with glory crown'd,  
Tho' suns and stars expire.  
What awful thoughts! what truth sublime!  
What useful lesson this!  
Then let us well improve our time!  
That we may die in peace!

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FRIENDS Yearly Meetings in NEW-ENGLAND.

- At *Sandwich*, the 6th day before the last first day in the 3d  
At *Greenwich*, the last first day of the 5th month. [month.  
At *Rhode-Island*, the 2d sixth-day of the 6th month.  
At *Nantucket*, the 4th sixth day of the 6th month.  
At *Kingston*, the 2d first-day of the 8th month.  
At *Providence*, the 4th first-day of the 8th month.  
At *Boston*, the 6th day preceeding the 4th first day of the 9th mon.  
At *Lynn*, the 7th day preceeding the 4th first day of the 9th mon.  
At *Salem*, the 4th first day of the 9th month.  
At *Scituate*, the 1st sixth-day of the 10th month.  
At *Dartmouth*, the 4th sixth-day of the 10th month.  
At *Swansey*, the 2d seventh-day of the 11th month.
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